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SUBJ: RATIFICATION OF IFAD AGREEMENT AND SECRET VOTING PROCEDURE

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1. ECONOFF DISCUSSED IFAD WITH ZORAN LAZAREVIC, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, FSFA, ON MAR 30. LAZAREVIC SAID THAT RATIFICATION WAS IN PROCESS IN YUGOSLAVIA, BUT THAT IT WAS A COMPLEX AND OFTEN LENGTHY PROCEDURE, REQUIRING APPROVAL BY ALL REPUBLICS FOLLOWED BY SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND FINAL APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. HE WAS NOT SURE HOW FAR RATIFICATION HAD PROGRESSED, BUT PROMISED TO INFORM US IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

2. ON THE MATTER OF SITTING, LAZAREVIC SAID HE RECALLED EARLYY USG FEELERS FOR WASHINGTON, D.C., AS IFAD HEADQUARTERS AND ASKED WHETHER WE HAD ABANDONED IDEA. DRAWING ON PARA 5 REFTTEL, EMBOFF TOLD HIM THAT ROME AND TEHRAN WERE ONLY SITES UNDER CONSIDERATION. ECONOFF SAID EARLY DECISION ON SITE NOT NECESSARY BUT THAT WE WOULD PREFER EVENTUAL DECISION MADE BY CONSENSUS, OR FAILING THAT, BY SECRET BALLOT.

3. LAZAREVIC VOLUNTEERED THAT SLOWNESS IN LDC RATIFICATIONS

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MAY BE CAUSED BY THEIR FEELINGS THAT THEY WOULD HAVE VERY LITTLE INFLUENCE IN THE FUND, SEVERAL CATEGORY III NATIONS HAVING TOLD HIM THAT ALL DECISION-MAKING POWER IS RESERVED TO THE INDUSTRIALIZED AND OPEC MEMBER NATIONS. ONE UNIDENTIFIED LDC TOLD HIM THAT CATEGORY III NATIONS' POSITION IN IFAD IS "WORSE THAN IN IBRD".

4. STRESSED DESIRABILITY OF QUICK RATIFICATION TO ALLOW IFAD
TO BEGIN OPERATIONS THIS SUMMER BUT, BECAUSE OF CUMBERSOME
GOY RATIFICATION PROCEDURES, DO NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE EARLY
APPROVAL IS LIKELY. YORK

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